

## Alexandria Gazette

FRIDAY EVENING, AUGUST 19.

## LOCAL NEWS.

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For this section fair weather, light and variable winds, stationary temperature.

**ATTEMPTED SUICIDE.**—Francis P. Hamill, a young man from this city, attempted to commit suicide at Lynn's Hotel, Washington, last night by taking a dose of laudanum. Fortunately his condition was discovered before the poison took effect, and on being taken to the station house, he was relieved of the drug by physicians. He was then taken to Providence Hospital. Hamill some time ago was in the Williamsburg Insane Asylum. During his stay in Washington he was a barkeeper for several saloons. The cause of his attempt at suicide was not ascertained, but it is thought that he was suffering from a nervous condition, and his friends think of having him sent to the insane asylum. At the station house the following letter was found in his pocket: It was written on a National Hotel letter head:

WASHINGTON, D. C., Aug. 18, 1887.  
F. P. HAMILL.  
Dear friends: As I know of no better way of ending this miserable life, those who I love I hope will forgive me and my enemies must rejoice, as I am in the way of some one's happiness. I hope the good Lord will excuse the act. Give to those who love me, a kiss, and a smile, and my enemies a frown. Take my advice, young men, and let cards and wine alone, for it will bring you all to this. I have tried to do the right thing, but I cannot be happy. The woman whom I love does not love me, and that is the cause of this. It is my opinion that a man who loves and is not loved in return, will seek consolation in drink as I have done, and in the end self-destruction and hell must follow. Good-bye to all. My best wishes and may God take them to his keeping, that they will not follow my footsteps. Your true friend,  
F. P. HAMILL.  
Alexandria, Va.

Another sheet of paper contains the following:

In this long run of life we will all drop to some temptation, and the most we cannot tell, and when it overtakes us we may try to resist, but in my best judgment, that when a man who has seen as much of this life as I have cannot reform the best and easiest way to get rid of himself and friends is to die and disgrace them no more. When I am laid in my cold grave and forgotten, I can never appear to those who love me; my enemies I can never face again, and I know my punishment in the world to come cannot be any more than this. I have never in all my life harmed any one, but I have been insulted and imposed upon until I cannot stand it any longer, and I hope when I am gone this may appear in the daily papers to warn the young generation of what they must steer clear of.

FRANK (last signature)  
Frank Hamill is a son of the late John Hamill, who committed suicide here several years since. Frank and his brother left here some time ago for Washington, where they have since lived. It will be remembered that about two years ago the two Hamill boys came to this city one Sunday evening, and while intoxicated, attacked Mr. James Keogh and badly cut him about the face and head with a knife.

**PERSONAL.**—A note received at this office to-day from Mr. R. M. Fryer, of the Arrow Steamship Co., who is now in New York, says: "I shall be in Alexandria within a few days again, with bright prospects for beginning active work on our vessel as soon as I can organize our forces."

Miss Gertrude Stansbury has gone to Hamilton, Loudoun county.

Mr. J. E. Merchant and family, of Branchville, S. C., accompanied by Mrs. L. J. Turner, formerly of this city, but now of Branchville, are in the city visiting relations. Mr. Merchant's son who has recently had an attack of typhoid fever is convalescent.

Miss Annie Hall, the charming daughter of Lieut. Hall, of Baltimore, is visiting Miss Maggie O'Neal, on Prince street.

Mr. Alfred Kemp, of Houston, Tex., was in the city yesterday on a short visit to his relatives.

Mr. Joseph Kaufman has gone to Oakford, Md., to spend the rest of the summer. Mr. Lawrence Stabler has returned from a visit to Linden, Warren county, where his family are spending the summer.

Mr. Wm. Cowling has returned from Blue Ridge Springs.

**COL. W. H. SWALLOW.**—Col. Wm. H. Swallow, who was convicted here a year ago of committing a forgery, by which Father Dunbar, of the Catholic Church, was induced to endorse a draft for \$50, which was duly honored by the National Bank, and sentenced to the penitentiary for two years, having served nearly one year of his term, will apply to Governor Lee to commute his sentence to one year and release him at the expiration thereof. His application is in the hands of Mr. Lawrence Taliaferro, who, besides signing it himself, has obtained the signatures of several others, asking the Governor to lease the Colonel. Persons who may feel inclined to sign the petition may so applying to Mr. Taliaferro, Col. Swallow has written an appealing letter to Officer Gore to interest himself in obtaining signatures to his application. The Colonel loses his application for release upon the grounds of old age and a determination to live an honest life hereafter. "Give the old man a chance,"—Fredericksburg Free Lance.

Swallow it will be recollected is the man who attempted to swindle Rev. Father O'Keefe of this city.

**SECOND WARD REPUBLICANS.**—A meeting of the republicans of the Second ward for the purpose of organizing a republican club, was held at Potomac Hall last night. The meeting was called to order by J. C. DePuy, chairman of the executive committee of the Second ward. After explaining the situation and the necessity of harmony in the party, the organization was proceeded with, when Henson Dudley was elected president; Henry Johnson, vice president; W. Scott Butler, secretary, and Jackson Harris, treasurer. The officers-elect were called to the platform and installed. A vote of thanks was tendered Mr. DePuy for his impartiality in the conduct of the meeting. L. W. W. Manaway being introduced addressed the meeting. After announcing that a meeting would be held in Potomac Hall on Saturday, September 3, for the purpose of electing delegates to the city and Senatorial conventions for the nomination of candidates for the House of Delegates and State Senate, the meeting adjourned, subject to call of the President.

**THE DRAINAGE QUESTION.**—At the request of the Committee on Streets, Mai. H. W. Newby has prepared a plan looking to the better drainage of the streets in the northwestern part of the city. His plan is to pave Cameron street and to curb and gutter it from Alfred to West; to fill up the Henry street "ditch" and curb and gutter Henry street from Princess to Cameron and to have a face drainage along that street. By this means the water would be carried along Cameron street from Alfred to West

and then into Hooft's run. The railroad track on Henry and Fayette streets, if this plan is adopted, will have to be lowered. The committee yesterday visited and inspected the places of the proposed improvement and think Maj. Newby's plan feasible, but as yet have taken no definite action in the matter. They will soon hold another meeting in reference to the matter.

**LODGED A COMPLAINT.**—When the Potomac Steamboat Company's steamer Excelsior arrived at Norfolk from Washington yesterday morning, Capt. Davis, her commander, proceeded to the office of Commodore Parks, supervising inspector of steamboats, and lodged complaint against the steamer Lady of the Lake, of the Inland and Seaboard Coasting Company's line to Washington, charging that on the trip down Wednesday from that city, and when between there and Alexandria, the Lady of the Lake, in attempting to test her speed with the Excelsior, came near causing a collision. Commodore Parks has referred the matter to the local inspectors at Baltimore for investigation and report.

**THE CAPTAIN HELD RESPONSIBLE.**—The local steamboat inspectors having investigated the recent sinking of the steamer George Law in the Appomattox river with a colored excursion on board, found that the sinking of the steamer was caused by her air ports being submerged. This was brought about by the excursionists being crowded in the stern of the steamer in order to count them, the committee of arrangements disagreeing with the steamboat authorities as to the number of persons on board. The steamer has been raised and found to be damaged. The captain is held responsible for the accident.

**THE OPERA HOUSE.**—Wilson & Rankin's Minstrel will occupy the boards at the Opera House to-night and an excellent performance is promised with a change from the old style of opening. The company paraded the streets to-day in their ponce-de-nez and light bays and attracted general attention. The rendition by their band of the famous Boulevard March was excellent and was admired by all who heard it. The performance to-night will be free from anything of a vulgar nature and lovers of minstrelsy may anticipate a genuine treat.

**POLICE REPORT.**—Last night was clear and mild, with one prisoner at the station house.

Acting Mayor Strains this morning disposed of the following cases:

John Brown, colored, arrested by Officer Brenner, for disorderly conduct, was fined \$2.50.

Celia Jackson, colored, arrested by Officer Tice, for disorderly conduct, was fined \$2.50.

**RACE.**—A number of our citizens visited Brightwood Park, near Washington, yesterday to witness an interesting race between the two Alexandria horses Bobby Burns and Pilot Boy. The race was won by Bobby Burns in three straight heats; time, 2:53, 2:52 and 2:51. There was a second race between the Washington horses Little Harry, Bastine and Bashaw, Jr., which was won by Bastine in three straight heats; time about the same as in first race.

**CALL DECLINED.**—The Rev. Wm. M. Dame, rector of the Memorial Church, Baltimore, has declined the call recently given to him by the vestry of the Protestant Episcopal Church at Winchester. The Rev. Mr. Dame, who was formerly rector of Christ Church, in that city, has been rector of Memorial Church for nearly ten years, having succeeded the present Bishop Peterkin, of West Virginia, in the rectorship.

**DISABLED STEAMER.**—On her way down the river this morning the steamer John W. Thompson became disabled when near Quantico by a part of her machinery breaking down. She was taken in tow by the tug Hartley and brought back to this city this evening.

**ARLINGTON INSTITUTE.**  
BOARDING AND DAY SCHOOL FOR GIRLS.  
228 south Washington street.

The next session will begin on Tuesday, Sept. 20th. The Music Department—vocal and instrumental—will be in charge of Mrs. M. C. Wailes, of the New England Conservatory of Music. Mme. Barthelemy-Ehrmann, a native of France, and an accomplished and experienced teacher, will take charge of the French classes. Circulars, stating terms, &c., can be obtained at French's bookstore or at the Institute.

REBECCA C. POWELL, Principal.

**NEW GAME AT FRENCH'S.**  
417 and 419 King street.  
National Ball Game, endorsed by professionals, and the press pronounces it a perfect game. 50c. To-day another lot of the New Roller Copying Press, two sizes, \$1 and \$1.50; perfect copying press.

New styles Royal St. John Sewing Machine; the best Sewing Machine made; sews perfectly either running backward or forward. Highest arm and lightest running.

Estey Organs and Pianos at factory prices. Now ready the largest, and most complete and cheapest stock of Blank Books, Bill, Note and Letter Heads, Stationery, Envelopes, Visiting Cards, Tablets, Paperettes and Shipping Tags ever offered in the State.

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**RED WARRIOR AND LIGHT HORSE HARRY CHOPPING AXES.** Disston's Patent Cross-cut Saws, Wood Saws, BROAD AXES and Mechanical Tools generally, in great variety. JAS. F. CARLIN & SONS', Alexandria, Va.

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**IF YOUR CHICKENS ARE SICK,**  
TRY LUNT'S CHICKEN CHOLERA CURE.  
Sold by all druggists and grocers. mb31

**IF YOU CANNOT SEE** and cannot find any SPECTACLES to suit you, go to HENRY WILDT'S and have your eyes tested, and you will have no more trouble. nov20

**TEAS.**—Having bought largely of Teas, carefully selected, I am selling the same very low. sep23 J. C. MILBURN.

**2500 LBS PURE BUCKWHEAT FLOUR** for sale by J. C. MILBURN.

**RED WARRIOR CHOPPING AXES,** wholesale and retail, at 88 King, corner of Royal st. J. T. CREIGHTON & SON.

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**FRESH EGGS** and BUTTER just received by J. C. MILBURN.

**GOOD BUTTER** received to-day by J. C. MILBURN.

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For further information write for Catalogue.

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J. S. DORSEY CULLEN,

Professor of Surgery, Dean of Faculty.

## LOCAL BREVITIES.

Dr. Stacy T. Noland, son of Maj. Geo. W. Noland, of Loudoun, died at his home in Delphi, Indiana, August 7th, of sunstroke.

A large dog belonging to Mr. S. Blondheim bit a simple minded boy named Gillie Martin yesterday evening and was shot by Officer Sherwood.

Dranesville and Providence districts Fairfax county road commissioners have purchased improved road machines for their respective districts.

Prof. W. M. Fontaine, of the Geological Survey, has commenced the preparation of a report on the geology of the Potomac formation in Virginia.

Mr. W. G. Cockrell sent to this office to-day from his farm near Lincoln, Fairfax county, one of the largest and finest watermelons we have seen this season.

The Grange Camp, near Falls Church, closed yesterday after a week of moderate success. The premiums were awarded yesterday, and last night there was a ball.

The excursion given to River View by the Alexandria Musical Association last night, while not as numerous attended as was expected, was one of the pleasantest of the season.

Mr. J. Mariott Hill was painfully hurt at the Opera House yesterday by a piece of heavy scaffolding falling on his shoulder. He is able to be about to-day, though suffering considerable pain.

The new depot at Buford's, on the V. M. road, has been finished and workmen are now engaged in erecting a building at White's. Other depots are to be built along the line of the road.

Mr. John Williams, who it was stated yesterday had taken laudanum with suicidal intent on Wednesday night last, says he took an overdose of the drug by mistake and had no idea of taking his life.

Marriage licenses were issued in Washington yesterday to George W. Daniel and Martha J. Scott, both of Fairfax county, and to Wm. C. Berry, of Arlington, and Sallie E. Woems, of Fairfax county.

Mrs. Hannah M. Baker, widow of the late Dr. Frederick Baker, died at the residence of Mr. W. T. Ramsey, near Fairfax C. H., on Saturday last, after an illness of about two weeks, of typhoid dysentery, in the 69th year of her age.

Two small balloons fell on Mr. W. G. Cockrell's farm near Lincoln, Fairfax county, yesterday, within fifty yards of each other. Several other balloons which were liberated at the Grange camp a few days since have fallen in the same neighborhood.

The bids received for the construction of the Eastern Branch bridge are as follows: Mr. Vernon Bridge Co., Mt. Vernon, Ohio, \$148,000; if iron substructure be accepted, \$127,000; Groton Mfg. Co., Groton, N. Y., \$105,000; Pittsburg Bridge Co., Pittsburg, Pa., \$123,000; Smith Bridge Co., Toledo, O., \$150,000.

John Moore & Co., of Syracuse, N. Y., were the lowest bidders on a lot of furniture for public buildings, bids on which were opened in the Treasury Department, in Washington, yesterday. The Alexandria building is to receive \$276.50 worth of the furniture, which is to be used in the establishment of the free delivery system here, an account of which was published in the GAZETTE yesterday.

## AMUSEMENTS.

## OPERA HOUSE

Opening of the Season—Friday Evg., Aug. 19.

First Appearance of the Reorganized Favorites,

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WORLD'S CHAMPION MINSTRELS,

Composed of the Leading Celebrities of the Profession, including the old-time favorite,

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WATCH FOR OUR STREET PARADE.

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Sale of seats at Summers &amp; Allen's drug store. aug13 6t

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are certainly worth buying. They make such very cool, neat, clean-looking dresses, and then they wash and wear so well. The sale on

## PLAID MUSLINS

(and especially the 32-inch goods at 12½c) has been all we could ask. There are only a few of them remaining.

## A BARGAIN IN CARPETS.

A great many of these goods that were formerly \$1 are now 75c, and 75c ones are now 65c. Then the Remnants have accumulated, and they must be cleared out, and the only way to accomplish this is to do as we have done—put a price on them that will make everybody want them.

## The Turkish Towels Six for One Dollar

have not all been sold. We still have a good assortment of CHALLIS. Our COLORED CHAMBRAY ROBES have been reduced from

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